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Mr. Howland Wood,  
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Broadway at 156th Street,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

The editor of The Numismatist, Mr. Duffield, has referred me to you in the matter of coins of the Middle Ages.

I wrote to Mr. Duffield concerning coins of the period 1227 or thereabouts. My particular concern is with Pope Honorius III. I have been studying the various elements that would enable me to compose a group representing the Confirmation of the Order of Mount Carmel by Pope Honorius III. And particularly concerning the shape of the tiara worn at that time. So far I have consulted the works of Rohault de Fleury and the article by Muntz on La Tiara Pontificale but it occurs to me that coins might be valuable checks on this data.

I will greatly appreciate your assistance in this matter as well as any bibliographical data concerning papal numismatics.

Very sincerely yours,

Maurice Lavanoux

June 25, 1931.

Maurice Lavanoux  
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Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Please pardon the delay in replying to your letter concerning coins of Pope Honorius III. Neither our collection nor our library can help you in any way, as we do not have any material on this Order. Honorius struck no coins, as during that period the money was issued by the Roman Senate and his seal, rather, those that are pictured tell us nothing.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator